

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

SATURDAY, JULY 17.

Agents for the Free Press.

The following gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions to the Free Press in their respective localities:—
A. Heaton, Esq., County at large.
Daley & Daley, Stringtown.
M. Martindale, Martindale.
Maj. F. Nance, Mountain City.
J. A. Moore, Wimberly.
J. D. Cady, Onion Creek.
All postmasters are also authorized agents.

HOME NEWS.

ICE for sale at FARIS & SHIPMAN'S CIGAR MANUFACTORY.

LU. J. DAILEY deals in all the best Sewing Machines and fixtures. Call at the old stand of Dailey & Bros.

WE have been blessed with showers sufficient to lay the dust and cool the air. More rain would be acceptable.

WHEAT WANTED! G. W. DONALSON wishes to purchase a lot of good wheat.

SOME most desirable lots for residences near the Institute, we learn may be bought on reasonable terms, if application be made soon. Call on Basil Dailey for particulars.

SEE advertisement of Hamilton Female College, and Agricultural and Mechanical College, Lexington, Ky.

LEMONADE just exported from the Arctic Regions at FARIS & SHIPMAN'S.

WE are glad to notice that the fair and splendid corn crops are being supplemented by general sowing of the corn fodder. There will be feed for man and beast in the land this year.

TO ARRIVE in a few days, bagging and ties, and as in past seasons I will be prepared the coming season to furnish ginners their supplies. Please call before making arrangements for these articles. WM. GIESSEN.

G. W. DONALSON. Has just received some of the finest Chewing Tobacco ever brought to San Marcos.

EGYPTIAN CORN, a new and valuable variety for stock—may be planted in midsummer—will stand drought and produce well—for sale at BRIGGS.

WE should have noticed the renewal last week of the advertisement of C. F. Millett, lumber dealer, Austin. He is determined not to part company with his patrons in this quarter, but to knit closer the ties which bind a liberal and honorable business man to his customers.

THE supply of vegetables is running short. Keep up your gardens, gentlemen; you can sell all you can raise.

TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE. A house and lot joining Major Hutchison's, and two vacant lots joining Mrs. Manlove's. Apply to E. A. DIAL.

CORN can be bought, delivered, about Mountain City at 25 cents per bushel. We learn from our exchanges that it will not be over 15 cents in Northern Texas; 20 cents at Austin.

SONGS AT A CENT EACH.—A choice collection of popular sentimental and comic songs and ballads, at the FREE PRESS Book and News Stand.

THE best Sewing machine—the Home—with all latest improvements for sale at BRIGGS.

WE send out some specimen copies of the FREE PRESS this week, and hope to receive the subscriptions of those to whom they are sent.

WE believe it is settled that the population of San Marcos is about 1430, that of Hays county, 7400. We do not however give these figures as official.

At San Antonio you see bath houses on the river, at intervals of a few rods, throughout the city. Here we have only one, and the main part of our people have to swim in heat and dust in consequence. How much longer will this disgraceful state of things be permitted to last?

BUY YOUR BREAD.—Persons who buy tickets for the Summer of Fritz Lange, can have good bread supplied cheaper than they can bake it themselves. Call and see Fritz on the subject and be satisfied that this is true. Arrangements made for delivering bread at the homes of customers.

WE often hear it suggested that our town council should take prompt action and prohibit the building of any further wooden buildings on the public square. There are too many already, considering the danger from fire; and then the time has fully come for stone and brick business houses. Why should the council delay what all concede would be a proper action in the premises?

Personals.

Mark Rogers has handed us our first open boll of cotton.

Mr. Wood, editor of the Morgan Journal, Robertson county, called on us on Thursday.

Mr. Campbell, of Austin, cotton buyer, is here prospecting with reference to his business.

Mr. Dillon, of San Antonio, was here on Thursday seeking a location to "keep hotel," and called on us.

Miss Mary and Miss Queen Lindsey have gone on an excursion to Lampasas, San Saba, Brown and Coleman counties.

We forgot last week to mention a call we received from I. B. Standifer, who had just returned from a visit to some of the older Southern States.

State Treasurer Lubbock and Land Commissioner Walsh were at Hofheinz' Hotel on Thursday and addressed the people at the Court House at night.

Dr. Kingsbury we see by our exchanges has been on a visit to his home near Berne. He has returned to England with his family. The emigrants he sent over gave him a reception at Kerrville.

Mr. B. Pitchford, who purchased the corner property next to Reynolds' Sample Room some time since, is now residing here with his family, and is preparing to build a business house on said lot.

D. A. Porter, of the vicinity of Science Hall, presented us this week with a sample of sorghum molasses manufactured by him. It was beautifully clear and had a fine flavor. It was made from the amber cane.

Malone's re-modeled Dry Goods store room is now "a thing of beauty." The "Opera House" up stairs, is ready for equipment with scenery, etc., and we learn that George will look after that matter on his present trip to New York.

We have had the pleasure of a call at our office from C. A. Buechner, editor of that sterling democratic German paper, the "Texas Volkszeitung," who has been attending the reunion of his comrades of Hood's Brigade at Seguin. He reports the affair a fine success.

Phil. Abrahams, representing the well known house of Phil. Abrahams & Co., Austin, called on us on Wednesday and left his "card" in the shape of the Company's advertisement to be found elsewhere in our columns. Thanks—we shall have a respectable display of advertising after a while, although our home dealers continue to "fight shy" of our columns.

Geo. T. Malone, on Wednesday morning, just before leaving for New York to lay in a fresh stock of goods, was married at the residence of Mr. Glover to Miss M. Mitchell, his niece, so that a wedding excursion was combined with the business trip—no doubt a very happy and satisfactory arrangement to the parties more particularly concerned, and their friends.

Col. Jackson last week handed us some very fine samples both of native Texas and Missouri corn of his raising. We thought it could not be beaten, but since Alex. Driskill showed us an ear of Texas corn from his farm which was a little ahead of the colonel's, being a foot in length and large in proportion. Col. J. also handed us some stalks of prolific pop-corn, one of which had seven well developed ears. The stalks resembled that lately presented us by J. D. Cady, but the ears of his were of medium size.

Among the many new people we see in our town of late, we had the pleasure of a call on Wednesday from Prof. Edward Wise, president of Masonic Institute, Palestine, Texas. His testimonials show him to be an experienced and accomplished educator, and as such he has occupied prominent positions North and South. He would like, if he could have assurances of sufficient patronage, to establish an academy at San Marcos, and would guaranty to build and furnish his own building for the purpose. We would commend his proposed enterprise to the careful consideration of all whom it may concern.

Revolution at Malone's! Geo. T. Malone, having closed out his entire stock of Groceries and re-modeled his fine building, will hereafter deal EXCLUSIVELY IN DRY GOODS, and at such figures as will unquestionably "astonish the natives." The proprietor has gone North to lay in an immense Fall and Winter stock, and meantime, in order to make room for the same, the stock on hand will be closed out regardless of cost. Therefore Malone's is THE place for bargains!

AMOUNT of rainfall in the town of San Marcos, second quarter, commencing April 1st:
April 1, 2 in.
" 28, 1 in.
" 27, 28, and 29, 1 in.
May 1 and 2, 1 in.
" 28, 1 in.
June 10, 11, and 12, 1 in.
Amount second quarter, 7 in.
First 7 in.
Total amount to 1st of July, 14 in.

From Bear Creek.

EDITOR FREE PRESS: I again submit to the readers of your columns, a few items of news.

On the 23rd of last month (June) we had a very fine rain, but it seemed to be rather a local cloud. The next day we had another fine shower, which I judge from its appearance did not extend very far from here. On Monday which was the 23rd, we again had a light shower which seemed to lay mostly East, and South, and I learn that on Bear Creek and Onion, in the vicinity of the railroad they had a very fine rain, which extended as far as Austin, and I have not learned how much farther. A fine crop of corn is matured. Wheat is not as good as was thought, when it was harvested. Oats were damaged a good deal by the heavy rains about the time of harvesting. The grass is fine, water plenty and health good. Judge Schmitt and J. D. Cady were down at the San Marcos installation of officers of the Masonic fraternity, and barbecue given on that occasion. They report it a success, and altogether a pleasant affair. On the following Saturday evening the installation of the officers elect for the ensuing Masonic year for Rambo Lodge No. 426 took place at the Lodge room. J. D. Cady was installed into the office of W. Master, T. B. Ford S. Warden, A. F. Anderson J. Warden, C. E. Rose Secretary, Peter Schmitt Treasurer, A. C. Hardin S. Deacon, A. J. D. Morgan J. Deacon, A. Bell Tyler. —. Milam and —. McDonald stewards, and Rev. McCowan Chaplain. All passed off pleasantly. There was a meeting to-day of the patrons of Bear Creek school community, preparatory to reorganization. Our Bear Creek Sunday School is yet doing very well next Sunday is reorganization. I learn there is a Sunday school organized at Friendship. May it prosper!

A young man of our vicinity by the name of Lackey just commencing in the ministry, is to preach at Selma the 3rd Sunday in July. We bespeak for him a good hearing, he is an intelligent pleasant young man. I learn that Mr. Smith's daughter Vibella, a young lady some 17 or 18 years old, is very sick. Dr. Reagan is treating her. Mr. Smith's son-in-law Mr. Friesz recently died in Austin. I understand that Mr. Woods of the vicinity of Dripping Springs, is a candidate for commissioner for this precinct. The longest pole will knock the persimmon: The candidates for office, whosoever dispersed round about and over Hays county, had better make it known through the FREE PRESS, for I will give it as my honest conviction, that every candidate for office in Hays Co., who has announced that fact in the FREE PRESS is going to get votes up here. Mr. Gagnon, a real wide-awake thorough going man of our vicinity is at work on the railroad with from 7 to 10 scraping teams. He is an old hand at the business, will probably make big money. Quite a number of our citizens are trying their hand on the R. R. May luck be with them. I believe that some of the county elections are producing more excitement here than the Presidential election is. It is said to be a settled fact that the first depot on the International west of the Colorado river will be at or about the bridge on Bear Creek. If so I judge it will be a lively little place soon.

MELROY. P. S. Miss Vibella Smith, the young lady alluded to above, is very low with typhoid fever. Miss Mary Oldham also is sick.

Olive Trees in Texas.

EDITOR FREE PRESS.—The Olive tree is undoubtedly adapted to the soil and climate of Texas. It bears fruit when six years old, at nine years old, it makes a full crop, that is each tree produces about 50 gallons of fruit, one third of which (by weight) produces olive oil, which would be on an average 64 gallons of oil for a 6 year old tree. Now I will not enter here into the profits that may arise from the cultivation of the Olive tree in Texas, but I refer to the agricultural report of Washington D. C. It says the olive is a very hardy tree, valuable not only for the fruit but also for its excellent durable and fine grained wood. It will be years perhaps before the cultivation of the olive will be carried on in Texas on so large a scale as to produce the olive oil for market, though the procedure is very simple; but it must be evident to all, that the fruit even raised on a limited scale, is known to make an excellent pickle, and that as the old trees bear freely the fruit at least, if not manufactured into oil, could be used to fatten hogs. Again, I showed a German man young trees which were received as small plants, say about 4 inches high, from Washington last February, and planted out, they stood the terrible cold of our northern winter in March 1880. This German said he lived for years in Italy, and that the olive there grew in rocky cliffs as well as in sandy or otherwise worthless lands, and was a profitable farm product. The Olive tree is more profitable than the Orange tree, because it is more hardy and can be raised where it is impossible to raise the latter. Our sandy hills or rough, as we call them here, mountainous regions are also well adapted to raise hardy kinds of grape; our climate in Texas is mild, all we need is enterprise and more experience to develop our resources.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1880.

COUNTY CLERK:

We are authorized to announce H. A. McMEANS as a candidate for County Clerk of Hays county.

COUNTY JUDGE:

To the voters of Hays county: I am a candidate for the office of County Judge of your county. My past record, in a similar capacity, is my only guaranty for the future.

Respectfully, C. W. GROOM.

COUNTY PROSECUTOR:

We are authorized to announce O. T. BROWN as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney for Hays county.

TREASURER:

We are authorized to announce D. P. HOPKINS as a candidate for Treasurer of Hays county.

SHERIFF:

We are authorized to announce H. E. BARBER as a candidate for Sheriff of Hays county.

ASSESSOR:

We are authorized to announce ALBERT HEATON as a candidate for re-election as Assessor of Hays county.

We are authorized to announce R. S. PORTER as a candidate for Assessor of Hays county.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1.

We are authorized to announce T. J. McCARTY as a candidate for Commissioner of Hays county.

A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a receipt that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station D. New York City. May 15-ly

MARKET REPORT.

San Marcos Retail Price Current.

CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE FREE PRESS, BY G. W. DONALSON.

Coffee, per lb. 14c @ 20c
Sugar, brown, per lb. 9c @ 10c
" C A " 11c
" granulated, per lb. 12c @ 13c
Eggs, per doz. 15c
Butter, per lb. 20c
Cigars, per doz. \$1.50 @ \$2.00
Rice, clear, per lb. 11c
Lard, choice refined, " 41c
Hams, canned, per lb. 13c @ 15c
Molasses, sorghum, per gal. 55c @ 60c
" " " 55c @ 60c
Syrup, Golden, " 65c @ 75c
Rice, choice, " 10c @ 12c
Onions, dried, " 12c
Soda, English, " 45c
Pepper, blk. " 25c
Spice, all, " 55c @ 60c
Salt, coarse, per sack, 9c @ 10c
" fine, " 10c @ 11c
Flour, Texas, per 100 lbs. \$3.50 @ \$4.50
" St. Louis, per bbl. \$3.50 @ \$3.75
Meal, per bushel, 90c
Corn, " 35c @ 40c
Wheat, per bushel, \$1.00 @ 1.25

ESTRAY NOTICES.

Retrayed June 28th inst. by D. P. Hopkins, Co. Com'r. Precinct No. 1, Hays Co., for the use of said county, one white gelding, branded A.M. connected on the left shoulder, 14½ hands high, 9 or 10 years old. June 28th, 1880.

ED. J. L. GREEN, C. C. C. H. Co.

Retrayed by Peter Schmidt, Com'r. Precinct No. 4, the following stock, to wit: One black gelding branded on the left shoulder, 14½ hands high, 9 or 10 years old. One brown gelding branded on the left shoulder, 14½ hands high, 9 or 10 years old. One white gelding branded on the left shoulder, 14½ hands high, 9 or 10 years old. One sorrel mare, branded 7 on the left shoulder.

U and R connected.

Said stock strayed for the use of Hays county. PETER SCHMIDT, Com'r. Precinct No. 4.

Retrayed by R. J. Sledge, before C. W. Grooms, J. P., H. Co., July 3, 1880, one bay horse, 14 hands high, 10 years old, branded P L on left shoulder, and branded at \$20. One brown mare, 12 hands high, 5 years old, branded H P (connected) on left shoulder. Appraised at \$20.